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For: AUTOMATED SLIDE STAINER WITH SLIDE HOUSING (AMENDED)

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This Amendment is being filed with a Request for Continued Examination in response to the Final Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 13, 2003. Reconsideration of the rejection presented in that Office Action is respectfully requested.

An extension of time to respond to the Office Action is respectfully requested. A Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently with this Amendment.

Please amend the application as follows: